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**SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.111**

In response to the Official Action dated December 29, 2005, and the Communication of May 12, 2006, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

- ☒ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins of page 4 of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.
- ☒ **Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.